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State High School Exit Exams Accepted in Idaho March 2005

The following is a list of states that administer standards-based Exit Exams¹ that will be accepted for 11th and 12th graders for the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT) graduation requirements. Students who will graduate in 2006 and beyond and have transferred to Idaho after scoring proficient or above on standards-based exams administered by one of the following states is not required to participate in the Reading, Language Usage, or Mathematics ISAT.

A writing or language arts test is an acceptable substitute for the ISAT Language Usage test.

It is the responsibility of the school district to receive official documentation to confirm a student's proficiency score prior to granting the exception. This documentation should be kept in the student's permanent record.

Graduation requirements and exceptions are outlined in <u>Board Rule</u>, Rules Governing Thoroughness 08.02.03 Section 105.03.

This information is current as of August 2004 and will be updated annually in September.

Questions regarding exceptions should be submitted in detail to accountability@osbe.state.id.us.

¹ Source: Center on Education Policy: <u>State High School Exit Exams</u> Published August 2004

State Exit Exams

The following states offer standards-based exit exams that are accepted in Idaho for the class of 2006.

These exams meet the criteria for substitution of the Idaho ISAT graduation requirement

	Initial			Language	English /				Social
State	Grades(s) Tested	Test Type	Reading	Usage	Language Arts	Writing	Mathematics	Science	Studies
Alabama	11	Standards-based	563	560			477	491	509
Arizona	10	Standards-based	500			500	500		
California	10	Standards-based			350		350		
Florida	10	Standards-based	300				300		
Georgia	11	Standards-based			500	500	500		500
Idaho (Phased-in)	10	Standards-based	224	222			242		
Indiana	10	Standards-based			466		486		
Louisiana	10 & 11	Standards-based			270		286	267	275
Massachusetts	10	Standards-based			220		220		
Nevada	10	Standards-based	300			300	300	300	
New Jersey *	11	Standards-based			200		200		
Ohio	10	Standards-based	20				19		
South Carolina **	10	Standards-based			2		2		
Texas	11	Standards-based			2100		2100	2100	2100

^{*} New Jersey administers a Language Arts / Literacy examination.

^{**} South Carolina utilizes four levels rather than scale scores.

Other Exit Exams

The following states offer exit exams, however, the exams do not meet the criteria for substitution of the ISAT as a graduation requirement.

Reference: Rules Governing Thoroughness

IDAPA 08.02.03 Section 105.03

State	Grade(s) Tested	Test Type			
Alaska	10	Minimum competency			
Maryland	Varies	End-of-course			
Minnesota	8 & 10	Minimum competency			
Mississippi	Varies	End-of-course			
New Mexico	10	Minimum competency			
New York	Varies	End-of-course			
North Carolina	9	Standards-based			
Tennessee	Varies	End-of-course			
Utah	10	Minimum competency			
Virginia	Varies	End-of-course			
Washington *	10	Standards-based			

Note: States not listed do not have exit exams

^{*} Washington's Exit Exam will move to the accepted list in 2005-2006. Washington's Exit Exam does not take effect until the class of 2008.